





# High Precision Solar Neutrino Spectroscopy with Borexino and JUNO

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# Outline

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- Why solar neutrinos?
- High precision measurements with Borexino
- Potential of JUNO
- Future: CNO solar neutrinos
- Conclusions

# Why Solar Neutrinos?

#### Since Greek time we know that ..



- The world is made of atoms
- And atom is made of more fundamental particles



And..

**Neutrinos are one (three) of** 

these particles

https://www.quora.com/What-size-are-the-particles-of-an-atom-in-relation-to-its-size



http://www.physik.uzh.ch/en/researcharea/lhcb/outreach/StandardModel.html

# The Sun: a source of photons and $\nu$

By eye we can only see the chromosphere. With neutrinos we see the core





#### Solar Neutrinos come from fusions



- Two ways of pp-fusion (4p -> <sup>4</sup>He + 26.73 MeV)
  - pp-chain: Sequential reactions (~99% for the Sun)
  - CNO-cycle: C,N,O as catalysts (important for heavy/late stage stars)



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nps.mpg.de/solar-system-school/lectures/intro solar physics

#### Standard Solar Model (SSM)

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- solar radius Ro=6.9598(1± 0.04%) 1010 cm
- photospheric comp. (Z/X)photo=0.0245(1±6%)
- Nuclear physics (cross-sections etc.)

#### Output

- helium abundance Yphoto= 0.249 (1± 1.4%)
- Rad.->conv. Rb =0.711 (1 ± 0.14%) Ro

Some reference

http://www.astro.caltech.edu/~george/ay1/lec\_pdf/Ay1\_Lec08.pdf

http://cos.colorado.edu/~kevinf/PAPERS/solmodel.pdf

https://www2.mps.mpg.de/solar-system-school/lectures/intro\_solar\_physics/Intro\_solar\_physics\_part1.pdf www.fe.infn.it/~ricci/seminars/trieste\_2.ppt Mass conservation

$$\frac{dm}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho$$

Hydrostatic equilibrium

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{Gm\rho}{r^2}$$

Energy transport (radiation)

$$\frac{dT}{dr} = -\frac{3}{4ac} \frac{\kappa\rho}{T^3} \frac{L}{4\pi r^2}$$

Energy production

$$\frac{dL}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho \varepsilon$$

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# Solar Metallicity Problem







- Two typical Standard Solar Models
  - **GS98**: Higher fraction of "metals": **HZ**
  - AGSS09: LZ. Improved, but lost

agreement with helioseismology

- Solar neutrino to resolve HZ/LZ
  - pp chain: <sup>8</sup>B(SuperK) lies in the exact middle of HZ/LZ
    - BX alone have moderate discrimination power, see later
  - CNO chain: 5% to resolve

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# Neutrino Oscillations

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- Experiments see incompatibly
  less solar neutrinos than SSM
  predictions (R Davis et al. PRL
  1968)
- It was found that neutrinos are converted to other flavors during propagation, i.e. neutrino
   oscillates. (SNO PRL 2001; Nobel prize in 2015 to Kajita and McDonald)



B. T. Cleveland *et al.*, "Measurement of the Solar Electron Neutrino Flux with the Homestake Chlorine Detector," *Astrophys. J.*, vol. 496, no. 1, pp. 505–526, 1998



SNO collaboration, "Direct Evidence for Neutrino Flavor Transformation from Neutral-Current Interactions in the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory," *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, vol. 89, no. 1, pp. 1–6, 2002.

# Neutrino oscillations in Vacuum



 Neutrino oscillation is due to mixing of mass (propagation) eigenstate and flavor (production) eigenstate. (Pontecorvo, 1957)



$$P\left(\left|\nu_{e}\right\rangle \rightarrow \left|\nu_{e}\right\rangle\right) = \left|\left\langle\nu_{e}\right|\mathcal{U}(t,0)\left|\nu_{e}\right\rangle\right|^{2}$$
$$\simeq 1 - \sin^{2} 2\theta \cdot \sin^{2} \left[1.27 \times 10^{3} \cdot \Delta m^{2} \text{ (eV}^{2}) \cdot \frac{L}{E} \text{ (km/MeV)}\right]$$

Figure: how neutrino appear/disappear during propagation

## Neutrino oscillations in Matter



 Presence of matter (The Sun for solar neutrinos) adds potential to the evolution operator (Hamiltonian) and changes the flavor eigenstate and thus the mixing angle.



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## Summary: why solar neutrinos



#### A probe of the Sun + a probe to study neutrino oscillation



M. Agostini *et al.*, "First Simultaneous Precision Spectroscopy of *pp*, <sup>7</sup>Be, and *pep* Solar Neutrinos with Borexino Phase-II," 1707.09279

M. Maltoni and A. Yu. Smirnov, "**Solar neutrinos and neutrino physics**," *Eur. Phys. J. A*, vol. 52, no. 4, p. 87, Apr. 2016.

# High precision measurements with Borexino

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- Borexino detector
- Development of Analytical response function. (ch4)
- GPU fitter + Analytical multivariate method. (ch3)
- Evaluation of systematic uncertainties (ch5)
- Measurement of solar neutrino rates (ch6)



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- Borexino is a liquid scintillator detector. Target mass 300 ton. Active mass ~70 ton in this analysis.
  - Charged particles deposit energy and scintillation photons are produced.
  - Measure particle energy by Counting number of photons using PMTs.

- Solar neutrinos are detected via Elastic Scattering.
  - only the recoil electron are detected.







### Borexino detector



#### **Borexino Experiment**



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G. Bellini et al., "Final results of Borexino Phase-I on low-energy solar neutrino spectroscopy," Phys. Rev. D - Part. Fields, Gravit. Cosmol., vol. 89, no. 11, pp. 1–68, 2014.





Obtain interaction rates by "fitting"



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- N<sub>p</sub>, or npmt\_dt1: number of fired PMTs;
- N<sub>h</sub>, or **nhit**: number of collected hits;
- N<sub>pe</sub>, or charge: sum of charge of all hits







- Monte Carlo fit: simulate detector response (GEANT4).
- Analytical fit: describe detector response analytically.

#### Monte Carlo

- Tuned to calibration
- <sup>14</sup>C: real time "calibration"
- Precise geometrical effect.
- Fitting time short.

#### Analytical fit

- Extract detector response information from data. (light yield, energy resolution model)
- Some parameters fixed to MC (calibration)
- Fitting time long (~hours)



- Response function: the distribution of observed energies for a particle of energy E
- How we determine the distribution? momentum of the distribution.
  - Model energy -> average ( energy scale + non-linearity model )
  - Model energy -> variance (energy resolution model)
  - Model energy -> skewness
  - Calculate parameters using average, variance, skewness...



## [ch4] E -> average / variance





Average (of distribution of observed energies)

$$\mu_{\text{p.e.}} = \varepsilon(\mathbf{r}) \cdot Y_{\text{p.e.}} \cdot \left( f_{\text{qch.}}(E) + \mu_{L_{\text{Cher.}}}(E) \cdot \text{fCher} \right)$$
$$\frac{\mu_{\text{n.fired}}^{\text{FV}}}{N_{\text{PMT}}} = \left[ 1 - \left( 1 + p_{\text{ser}} \cdot r \right) \cdot e^{-r} \right] \cdot \left( 1 - g_{\text{LC}} \cdot r + g_{\text{LC}}' \cdot r^2 \right)$$

Variance (of distribution of observed energies)

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Var}(N_{\mathrm{n.fired}}^{\mathrm{FV}}) &= f_{\mathrm{eq.}}^{t} \cdot \mu_{\mathrm{n.fired}}^{\mathrm{FV}} \cdot \left[1 - r_{v} \cdot (1 + v_{1})\right] \\ &+ \beta_{0} \cdot \left(\mu_{\mathrm{n.fired}}^{\mathrm{FV}}\right)^{3} \cdot \left(f_{\mathrm{eq.}}^{t}\right)^{-1} \\ &+ \beta_{1} \cdot \mu_{\mathrm{n.fired}}^{\mathrm{FV}} \cdot f_{\mathrm{eq.}}^{t} \\ &+ \beta_{2} \cdot \left(N_{\mathrm{n.live}} \cdot (1 - r_{v}) \cdot \ln(1 - r_{v})\right)^{2} \end{aligned}$$

# [ch4] Validation: npmt (# of fired PMTs)

- Random sampling spectra from MC based p.d.f.'s
- Fit with analytical functions and compare fit results with inj.





• Use not only energy, but also position / pulse shape

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{MV}} = \mathcal{L}^{\text{TFC vetoed}} \times \mathcal{L}^{\text{TFC tagged}} \times \prod_{i} \mathcal{L}_{i}^{\text{radial}} \times \prod_{j} \mathcal{L}_{j}^{\text{pulse-shape}}$$



Distribution of "distance to detector center (r)" can be used to discriminate uniform events (neutrinos and bulk backgrounds) and γs from outside.

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# GPU fitter: a breakthrough

- 2016 Feb. Ilia: I added MINOS option so we can get precise error but it takes 8 hours.. me: hmm??
- 2017 New Year's Eve, GooStats v0.001
- 2017 Feb. 03 bx-GooStats-charge
- 2017 Mar. 19 bx-GooStats-MC-MV
- 2017 Mar. 23 bx-GooStats-npmt
- 2017 April My colleagues start to produce physics result with bx-GooStats





# [ch3] GPU and Ana Multi-Variate



19 years -> 3 days for completing the analysis.

#### Computation Challenge for Borexino spectral analysis



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#### Parallel computing

This project is based on C++11, ROOT, cuda and GooFit

Parallel computing: divide into small tasks and solved simultaneously





Graphic Processing Unit: thousands of cores, data parallelization



plot from https://www.ogf.org/OGF25/materials/1605/CUDA\_Programming.pdf

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 $plot\ from\ https://computing.llnl.gov/tutorials/parallel\_comp/images/parallelProblem2.gif$ 

Scheme of Graphic Processing Unit based parallization

Memory management



plot from http://http.download.nvidia.com/developer/cuda/seminar/TDCI\_CUDA.pdf



# [ch3] GooStats: open source software

#### https://github.com/GooStats/GooStats.git

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X. F. Ding, "GooStats: A GPU-based framework for multi-variate analysis in particle physics," J. Instrum., vol. 13, no. 12, pp. P12018–P12018, Dec. 2018.





- pseudo-experiment spectra without distortion —> statistical sensitivity
- pseudo-experiment spectra with distortion —> statistical + systematic uncertainty

Energy (MeV)



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Given an allowed range of distortion, a systematic • uncertainty can be given.

Allowed range of non-linearity

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Non-linearity npe/Energy (MeV<sup>-1</sup>)  $10^{3}$ -0.98 0.96  $10^{2}$ 0.94 10 0.92 0.9 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.2 1.4

Relevant sources of systematic uncertainties and their contributions to the measured neutrino interaction rates for the LER analysis.

	PP neurinos		De neutrinos		pep neutrinos	
Source of uncertainty	-%	+%	-%	+%	-%	+%
Fit models (see text)	-4.5	+0.5	-1.0	+0.2	-6.8	+2.8
Fit method (analytical/Monte Carlo)	-1.2	+1.2	-0.2	+0.2	-4.0	+4.0
Choice of the energy estimator	-2.5	+2.5	-0.1	+0.1	-2.4	+2.4
Pile-up modeling	-2.5	+0.5	0	0	0	0
Fit range and binning	-3.0	+3.0	-0.1	+0.1	-1.0	+1.0
Inclusion of the <sup>85</sup> Kr constraint	-2.2	+2.2	0	+0.4	-3.2	0
Live time	-0.05	+0.05	-0.05	+0.05	-0.05	+0.05
Scintillator density	-0.05	+0.05	-0.05	+0.05	-0.05	+0.05
Fiducial volume	-1.1	+0.6	-1.1	+0.6	-1.1	+0.6
Total systematics (%)	-7.1	+4.7	-1.5	+0.8	-9.0	+5.6

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<sup>7</sup>Be neutrinos

*nen* neutrinos

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2010-2011 Purification + Calibration

2011 Dec - 2016 May **Phase-II** 

2016 June - now **Phase-III** 

- Based on data collected in Phase-II
- Exposure:
  - 1291.51 days × 71.3 t







- pp, pep, <sup>7</sup>Be solar neutrinos: CNO constrained to HZ/LZ
- CNO limit: pp/pep ratio constrained

Solar $\nu$	Borexino results	B16(GS98)-HZ	B16(AGSS09)-LZ
рр	$134 \pm 10 \; {}^{+6}_{-10}$	$131.0\pm2.4$	$132.1\pm2.3$
<sup>7</sup> Be	$48.3 \pm 1.1 \ ^{+0.4}_{-0.7}$	$47.8\pm2.9$	$43.7\pm2.6$
pep (HZ)	$2.43 \pm 0.36 \ ^{+0.15}_{-0.22}$	$2.74\pm0.05$	$2.78\pm0.05$
pep (LZ)	$2.65 \pm 0.36 \ ^{+0.15}_{-0.24}$	$2.74\pm0.05$	$2.78\pm0.05$
CNO	< 8.1 (95%  C.L.)	$4.91 \pm 0.56$	$3.52\pm0.37$

M. Agostini et al., "Comprehensive measurement of pp-chain solar neutrinos," Nature, vol. 562, no. 7728, pp. 505–510, Oct. 2018.



# [ch6] Measurement results



Assuming *P<sub>ee</sub>*: measure solar neutrino flux



Solar $\nu$	Borexino results	B16(GS98)-HZ	B16(AGSS09)-LZ
рр	$(6.1\pm0.5~^{+0.3}_{-0.5}) imes10^{10}$	$5.98(1\pm0.006) imes10^{10}$	$6.03(1\pm0.005) imes10^{10}$
<sup>7</sup> Be	$(4.99\pm 0.13 \ ^{+0.07}_{-0.10}) imes 10^9$	$4.93(1\pm0.06) imes10^9$	$4.50(1\pm0.06) imes10^9$
pep (HZ)	$(1.27\pm0.19~^{+0.08}_{-0.12}) imes10^8$	$1.44~(1\pm0.009) imes10^{8}$	$1.46(1\pm0.009) imes10^8$
pep (LZ)	$(1.39\pm 0.19 \ ^{+0.08}_{-0.13})  imes 10^8$	$1.44~(1\pm0.009) imes10^{8}$	$1.46(1\pm0.009) imes10^8$
CNO	$< 7.9 \times 10^8 (95\%  \text{C.L.})$	$4.88(1\pm0.11) imes10^8$	$3.51(1\pm0.10) imes10^8$
<sup>8</sup> B	$(5.68^{+0.39}_{-0.41}~^{+0.03}_{-0.03}) imes10^{6}$	$5.46(1\pm0.12) imes10^{6}$	$4.50(1\pm0.12) imes10^{6}$

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• Mild preference for LZ (96.6% CL, or 2.2  $\sigma$ )



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- Assuming solar neutrino flux: measure Pee
- Results match well with predictions using KamLAND results.



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- New GPU software: breakthrough for Borexino analysis
- New analysis procedure: analytical multivariate analysis
- Measurement using "charge"
- Full evaluation of the systematic uncertainties through a comprehensive toyMC approach

# Potential of JUNO

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# JUNO detectors

### Center Detector

- Acrylic sphere containing Liquid Scintillator(LS)
- PMT in water (18k 20" + 25k 3")
- 20 kt LS + 78% photocathode coverage
- Veto Detector (µ tagger)
  - Water Cherenkov detector
  - Top tracker
  - For µ tagging and track reconstruction
- Calibration System
  - 4 complementary sub-system
  - Covering various particle type, full energy range and position





# Milestone & schedule



# Medium-baseline reactor v exp.



 $\xi = \frac{L(\mathrm{m})}{E(\mathrm{MeV})}$ 

 $P_{ee}\left(\xi\right) = a_0\left(\xi\right) + a_1\left(\xi\right) \cdot \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \cdot \cos\left[1.27\left(2\Delta m_{ee}^2 \pm \Delta m_{\phi}^2\right) \cdot \xi\right]$ 

S. T. Petcov and M. Piai, "The LMA MSW solution of the solar neutrino problem, inverted neutrino mass hierarchy and reactor neutrino experiments," *Phys. Lett. Sect. B Nucl. Elem. Part. High-Energy Phys.*, vol. 533, no. 1–2, pp. 94–106, 2002.

### Relative shape difference of Anti-v flux







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- Neutrino oscillation transition region not observed yet.
- **2** $\sigma$  **Discrepancy** between KamLAND and solar on  $\Delta m_{21}^2$

[ch10] Why transition region?



# [ch10] Why transition region?



# Transition zone: criteria for new physics (M.M. Guzzo, P.C. de Holanda, O.L.G. Peres 2002)

A. Friedland, C. Lunardini, and C. Peña-Garay, "Solar neutrinos as probes of neutrino-matter interactions," *Phys. Lett. B*, vol. 594, no. 3–4, pp. 347–354, Aug. 2004. M. . Guzzo, P. . de Holanda, and O. L. . Peres, "Effects of non-standard neutrino interactions on MSW-LMA solution to the solar neutrino problem," *Phys. Lett. B*, vol. 591, no. 1–2, pp. 1–6, Jul. 2004.



Maltoni et al. Eur. Phys. J. A (2016) 52:87

### G S [ch10] Why JUNO <sup>8</sup>B solar neutrinos?

## \* Can probe transition region.

- SuperK/BX: T 3-5 MeV E<sub>v</sub>~7.4 MeV (almost outside the transition region). SuperK: high threshold. Borexino: too small.
- JUNO: T 2–3 MeV  $E_v \sim 6.2$  MeV (in the transition region) JUNO is big and can cut external backgrounds.



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## Elastic scattering signals



J. N. Bahcall: 10.1103/PhysRevD.51. 6146 W. T. Winter: 10.1103/PhysRevC.73. 025503





## Three-Fold-Coincidence



- Production of cosmogenic isotope is usually associated with one/more neutron.
- Isotope produced without

[ch10] cosmogenic: use **TFC** 

## neutron can also be rejected.



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### G S S I [ch10] radioactivity: $\alpha/\beta$ disc. + coincidence

By rejecting <sup>212</sup>Bi—<sup>212</sup>Po and <sup>214</sup>Bi—<sup>214</sup>Po, we significantly reduce bkg. in ROI (2~3 MeV)



# [ch10] Summary of Signal and Backgrounds



Name	$R_X^{\rm tot}$	$R_X^{ m ROI}$	FV cut	IBD cut	$\mu$ veto	TFC veto <u>« cut</u>	
$^{8}B \nu ES$	90.55	13.23	6.546	6.546	4.639	3.650	3.659
External $\gamma s$	$3.333 \times 10^{7}$	$9.105  imes 10^5$	0.055	0.055	0.039	0.031	0.031
$(\alpha, n)$	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	0	-	-	-	-
<sup>238</sup> U	3009.26	132.35	65.50	0.519	0.368	0.291	0.291
<sup>232</sup> Th	656.28	24.44	12.10	12.10	8.58	6.76	0.102
<sup>10</sup> C	760.4	447.85	221.69	221.69	186.05	0.033	0.033
<sup>11</sup> Be	51.2	6.10	3.02	3.02	2.46	0.046	0.046
$^{16}N$	13	0.39	0.39	0.39	0.26	0.013	0.013
<sup>6</sup> He	1543	415.94	205.90	205.90	11.99	0.212	0.212
<sup>8</sup> Li	560.2	37.38	18.50	18.50	1.22	0.026	0.026
<sup>8</sup> B	387.2	$\ll 0.01$	0	-	-	-	-
<sup>9</sup> C	139.0	5.03	2.49	2.49	0.023	0	-
$^{12}B$	1968	112.17	55.53	55.53	1.58	0.018	0.018
<sup>13</sup> B	12	1	0.50	0.50	0	-	-
$^{12}N$	81.34	1.21	0.60	0.60	0.006	0	-
<sup>9</sup> Li	101.4	7.76	3.84	0.30	0.003	0	-
<sup>8</sup> He	31.83	3.62	1.79	0.14	0.001	0	-
Rea $\bar{v}_e$ IBD $p$	83	12.5	6.19	0.14	0.099	0.078	0.078
Rea $\bar{\nu}_e$ IBD $d$	83	83	41	0.90	0.638	0.503	0.503
Rea $\bar{\nu}_e$ ES		0.1	0.050	0.050	0.035	0.028	0.028
others	$3.2 imes10^4$	0.23	0.114	0.114	0.081	0.064	0.064
bkg sum	$3 \times 10^{7}$	$9 imes 10^5$	639	523	213	8.102	1.444

S/B = 2.5

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- ROI: Kinetic energy of electron *T* ~ [2, 3] MeV
- Average energy of contribution neutrinos: 6.18 MeV





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- r>1: evidence of upturn
- Define ratio of avg Pee between JUNO and Super-K
- [ch10] Sensitivity to upturn



- assuming 0.5% energy scale precision
  - v(<sup>7</sup>Be): 1± ~0% (stat.) ± 7% (sys.)



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# be explained later.

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CNO: dominated by systematic uncertainty.



[ch11] CNO solar neutrinos with JUNO

0.1% precision energy scale:  $\sigma(CNO)$  can reach 13%

<sup>210</sup>Bi not constrained. Borexino use a different strategy, will

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- Can detect <sup>8</sup>B solar v in 2~3 MeV: transition region, NSI
- Can detect <sup>7</sup>Be solar v with 7% precision
- Can detect CNO with 13% precision -> 0.1% energy scale precision (challenging)

# Future: CNO solar neutrinos

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- Challenge of CNO: almost same shape of <sup>210</sup>Bi. Only know CNO+<sup>210</sup>Bi
- Borexino: to measure CNO, we measure <sup>210</sup>Bi



- When <sup>210</sup>Pb—<sup>210</sup>Bi—<sup>210</sup>Po are in secular equilibrium, R(<sup>210</sup>Bi)=R(<sup>210</sup>Po)
- R(<sup>210</sup>Po) can be measured easily. α decay has longer scintillation time.





- How good we can reach if <sup>210</sup>Bi is constrained?
  - **toy MC method**: generate lots of pseudo-experiment spectra, fit them, see the width of fit result the distribution
  - Fit the Asimov dataset, and read the **fit error** directly.
  - Simple counting method: we know R(sum) = R(CNO)+ $R(^{210}Bi)$ +R(pep) from counting, then R(CNO) = R(sum) - $R(^{210}Bi)$  - R(pep)
  - Correlation matrix method: we know R(CNO)+R(<sup>210</sup>Bi) +R(pep) from fit output correlation matrix, then R(CNO) = R(sum) - R(<sup>210</sup>Bi) - R(pep)





- Fit results depend on your dataset. They are random variables. They are test statistics.
- We can define correlation matrix of random variables
- By linearly combining random variables (diagonalizing the correlation matrix), we can find independent variables.



What we found R(CNO) + **0.6** R(<sup>210</sup>Bi) + **2.6** R(pep)

$$\begin{split} q_{\text{sum}} &= R_{\nu(\text{CNO})} + 0.57 R_{210}_{\text{Bi}} + 2.58 R_{\nu(\text{pep})} = 21.87 \pm 0.81 \\ q_{\text{pep}} &= R_{\nu(\text{CNO})} + 1.05 R_{210}_{\text{Bi}} - 0.62 R_{\nu(\text{pep})} = 18.28 \pm 2.56 \\ q_{\text{Bi}} &= R_{\nu(\text{CNO})} - 1.05 R_{210}_{\text{Bi}} - 0.16 R_{\nu(\text{pep})} = -11.59 \pm 23.11 \,, \end{split}$$





- Similar coefficients found for "**sum**".
- Precision of  $q_{pep}$  and  $q_{Bi}$  improves with energy resolution
- **sum** is precise. **q**<sub>pep</sub> is worse. almost no sensitivity on **q**<sub>Bi</sub>

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$$q_{\text{sum}} = R_{\nu(\text{CNO})} + 0.57R_{210\text{Bi}} + 2.58R_{\nu(\text{pep})} = 21.87 \pm 0.81$$
  

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$$q_{\text{Bi}} = R_{\nu(\text{CNO})} - 1.05R_{210\text{Bi}} - 0.16R_{\nu(\text{pep})} = -11.59 \pm 23.11,$$





- In summary: different methods converge to the fact that we just just counting number of events (CNO + <sup>210</sup>Bi + pep). Constrain <sup>210</sup>Bi and pep we get CNO.
- Assume we measure <sup>210</sup>Bi within 10%..
  - Constrain v(pep) within 2%.
  - In case of HZ: median (50% case) sensitivity is 3.9σ
  - In case of LZ: median (50% case) sensitivity is **2.8σ**

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center by the convection motion

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Challenge: <sup>210</sup>Po brought by convection from outside ullet









## [ch 8] Thermal stratification to stop convection



### **Before insulation**



### **During insulation**



- 20 cm Rockwool dressed to maximize the temperature gradient and stabilize the detector's stratification
- Detector wide and experiment hall wide Heating system

# Thermal insulations in a nutshell

### Borexino with Rockwool

The polar bear



From F. Calaprice's talk on TAUP 2017

VS





# Thermal insulations in a nutshell

## $k = 0.03 \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}$



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 $k = 0.069 \pm 0.015 \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}$ 

From wikipedia



VS







### $^{210}Po vs z$

### temperature vs z



- Follow the minimum
- Contribution of convection vanishes

$$\frac{\partial X_{Bi}}{\partial t} = X_{Pb} \cdot \lambda_{Pb} - X_{Bi} \cdot \lambda_{Bi} + \nabla \cdot (D_{Bi} \cdot \nabla X_{Bi} - \mathbf{v} X_{Bi})$$
$$= X_{Bi} \cdot \lambda_{Bi} - X_{Po} \cdot \lambda_{Po} + D_{Po} \nabla^2 X_{Po}$$





• Approximate local <sup>210</sup>Po density with paraboloid function



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• The minimum position is rather stable. not due to fluctuation.







- <sup>210</sup>Po from convection can be approximated with paraboloid function near the minimum.
- Rate @ minimum: supported  $^{210}Po = ^{210}Bi$



Define the iso-volume parameter  $\zeta^3$ :

$$\zeta^3 = \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2}{a^2} + \frac{(z - z_0)^2}{b^2}\right)^{3/2},$$

 $9.65\pm1.62\,cpd/100t$ 

## <sup>210</sup>Bi constrained. CNO: 4.7±1.1 cpd/100t. Next step: include systematic uncertainties (ongoing)

[ch8] CNO with <sup>210</sup>Bi constrained



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R(<sup>210</sup>Bi) from fit. FV(pep), Q<sub>geo</sub> 140-1500, comp fit



- (Top) <sup>210</sup>Bi rate from fit
- (Bottom) Number of events in an optimized energy rage
- Conclusion: <sup>210</sup>Bi rate is (almost) stable after ~2015

\*bin space: 1 month. each bin correspond to 1 year data



- The volume used to measure <sup>210</sup>Bi is smaller than the volume used to perform fit.
- Is <sup>210</sup>Bi uniform?



- clearly <sup>210</sup>Bi is uniform within certain range.
  - ∆=0.5±1.1 cpd/100t
     @ 70ton bubble

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- Demonstrated <sup>210</sup>Bi uniformity and stability. Basic assumptions that our method is feasible.
- Breakthrough in determining the <sup>210</sup>Bi rate using <sup>210</sup>Po with "bubble/vortex" method.


## Conclusions





## List of publications

### 8 conference talks (3 plenary talks); 26 papers

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- A new paper with more details has been submitted to PRD (1707.09279)



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# Comprehensive measurement of *pp*-chain solar neutrinos

The Borexino Collaboration

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 The parallel computing tool has been reported in

open source proj.: github.com/GooStats/GooStats

# GooStats: A GPU-based framework for multi-variate analysis in particle physics

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#### Neutrino/SuperK

#### Radio/NRAO-AUI

#### Infrared/NOAO



### Visible/NASA

**Extrem-UV/NASA** 

X-ray/Yohkoh

### Neutrino as a new way to inspect the sun

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Images of the Sun: whereas the neutrino emission originates in the dense core of the Sun, photonic observations originate in the solar surface and atmosphere. From top left: Neutrino 'image' of the Solar core (Image credit: R. Svoboda, K. Gordan, LSU), radio emission from the solar atmosphere (Image credit: S. White, University of Maryland, NRAO/AUI), infrared image from the solar chromosphere (Image credit: National Solar Observatory, Kitt Peak/NOAO), visible image of the solar surface (Image credit: SOHO/ESA/NASA), extreme ultraviolet emission from the corona (Image credit: NASA/SDO/AIA), X-ray emission from the solar corona (Image credit: Yohkoh).



## Event selection



• Reject cosmogenic isotope decay, γs from outside and noise



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BOREXINO

$$\mu_{\text{p.e.}} = \varepsilon(\mathbf{r}) \cdot Y_{\text{p.e.}} \cdot \left( f_{\text{qch.}}(E) + \mu_{L_{\text{Cher.}}}(E) \cdot \text{fCher} \right)$$
$$\mu_{\text{n.Q}}^{\text{FV}} = p_{\text{dn}} + (1 + p_{\text{mis.}}) \cdot \mu_{\text{n.p.e.}} + p_{\text{quadr.}} (\mu_{\text{n.p.e.}})^2$$

Variance

$$\operatorname{Var}(N_{\mathrm{n},\mathrm{Q}}^{\mathrm{FV}}) = f_{\mathrm{eq.}}^{Q} \cdot (1 + v_1) \cdot \mu_{\mathrm{n},\mathrm{Q}}^{\mathrm{FV}} + \sigma_T^2 \cdot \left(\mu_{\mathrm{n},\mathrm{Q}}^{\mathrm{FV}}\right)^2$$

# Validation: charge (sum of charge) s

- Produce pseudo-experiment spectra with full MC simulation.
- Fit with analytical functions and compare fit results with inj.







- ROI: Kinetic energy of electron  $T \sim [2, 3]$  MeV
- Average energy of contribution neutrinos: 6.18 MeV





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Define the iso-volume parameter  $\zeta^3$ :

$$\zeta^3 = \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2}{a^2} + \frac{(z - z_0)^2}{b^2}\right)^{3/2},$$



- This plot shows good uniformity of beta events
  - ∆=0.5±1.1 cpd/100t
    @ 70ton bubble
- Macroscopic <sup>210</sup>Po trend is similar in different periods



## JUNO collaboration



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Collaboration established on July 2014 Now 77 institutions ~600 collaborators

# Main goal: neutrino mass ordering



- $\nu_1,\,\nu_2,\,\nu_3$  defined according to fraction in  $\nu_e$
- $v_2$  is heavier than  $v_1 \left( \text{sun+MSW} \right)$
- we don't know if  $v_3$  is heavier (Normal ordering, NO) or lighter (Inverted ordering, IO) than  $v_2$
- Discriminators for models building v mass
- Understand requirement for 0vββ experiment
- Reduce uncertainty on  $\delta_{CP}$
- Help to understand core-collapse supernovae
- Needed by absolute neutrino mass measurement

neutrino mass ordering

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# [ch10] Why <sup>8</sup>B solar v with JUNO?

- Only a few experiments can measure <sup>8</sup>B solar neutrinos:
- **Borexino**: too small.
- SuperK: high detection threshold (~ 3 MeV). Cannot measure the part that is in the transition region.
- SNO: they think solar neutrinos are not as important as neutrinoless double-beta-decay and they can wait.
- JUNO: 2 MeV detection threshold. ROI: 2~3 MeV

### G S [ch11] CNO solar neutrinos with JUNO

- CNO solar neutrinos: similar shape with background <sup>210</sup>Bi
- Weak sensitivity on R(CNO) R(<sup>210</sup>Bi), but **improves as**  $\sqrt{N}$
- When energy scale is wrong, **CNO<-><sup>210</sup>Bi** can be converted. Thus the sensitivity coming from large exposure **spoiled by systematic uncertainty**.







- sum of CNO+<sup>210</sup>Bi+pep from fit is precise
  - Maybe this sum is the count of events in some region?



### We only know precisely the sum of CNO, <sup>210</sup>Bi and pep





• If we pick a region where CNO+<sup>210</sup>Bi+pep dominate..



 $R(CNO) + 0.6 R(^{210}Bi) + 2.2 R(pep) + negligible..$